

such conduct will reflect a glory on our republican governments, and render them respectable to every free country.

DEAR SIR,

The letters which I have just received from you, together with the considerations addressed to the legislature of Pennsylvania, have given me a great deal of pain. Before I received them I knew nothing of the test-law in Pennsylvania, and am truly sorry that such a law is maintained there, contrary to every principle of justice and good policy. The reasoning upon this subject, in the pamphlet you sent me, do the writer great honour, and appear to me scarcely capable of being resisted by unprejudiced and disinterested men. That is a miserable legislature which relies much upon the use of tests; for, in general, they bind only honest men. This test is expressed so strongly, that real friends to the American cause (and particularly quakers) might well scruple taking it when first proposed.

But to continue now the disfranchisement it occasioned, and thus to deprive two fifths of the inhabitants of the rights of citizenship, while any foreigner may entitle himself to their rights, is an act of oppression which I should have hardly thought possible to take place in Pennsylvania. Indeed, Sir, since the publication of my "Observations upon the American Revolution," I have heard so much that I do not like, that I have been sometimes afraid of having made myself ridiculous by what I have said of the importance of this revolution.

One of my correspondents in America, who has been all along attached to the American cause, assures me that nothing can be more utopian than the expectations I have formed; and he informs me of facts, which, if true, have a considerable tendency to lower my hopes. I will, however, still hope that the American revolution will prove an introduction to a better state of human affairs, and that in time the United States will become those seats of liberty, peace and virtue, which the enlightened and liberal parts of Europe are ardently wishing to see them.

This letter will be conveyed to you by Dr. Franklin—he is leaving, for ever, this part of the world: May God grant him a prosperous voyage.

With great regard and every good wish, I am, dear Sir, your very obedient and humble servant,

RICHARD PRICE.

Newington-Green, July 22, 1785.

September 28, 1785.

To be SOLD, at PUBLIC SALE, on the premises, on Tuesday the 1st of November next,

A TRACT of land, containing 374 acres, known by the name of Brashear's Procopon, lying in Prince-George's county, within 6 miles of Bladensburg, and 15 of George town; the land is well timbered and improved, good for wheat, corn, rye, and tobacco, has on it a dwelling house 32 feet by 18, with two brick chimnies, a kitchen 16 feet square, a good meat and milk house, a valuable cellar in good repair, a quarter with a shed and brick chimney, 16 feet by 12, two bearing orchards, a tobacco house in good repair, 45 by 30, a valuable meadow is made on the land, and another may be made at a small expence; the whole is well watered. Half the purchase money to be paid at the time of sale, credit will be given for the other half, on bond with good security, by

JOHN TURNER.

N. B. Any person desirous of purchasing at private sale may apply before the day of public sale.

Houses and Lots for Sale.

Prince-George's county, September 5, 1785.

To be SOLD, to the highest bidder, on Tuesday the 1st of November next, if fair, if not the next fair day,

THREE houses and lots in Pig-point, in Anne-Arundel county, on Patuxent river, two of which are stone houses, and perhaps superior to any other in that place, as they are new and in good repair; the other a small dwelling house, occupied at present by Mr. Sollers, it will be needless to say much in favour of that place, as it is so generally known to be one of the first inspections for tobacco on that river; they will be sold together or separate, as may best suit the purchasers. A very considerable credit will be given, on giving bond on interest with approved security.

HENRIETTA M. WALKER.

To be SOLD, at PUBLIC VENDUE, on Monday the 16th of January next, at the plantation of the late William Thomas, near Annapolis,

ABOUT twenty negroes, consisting of men, women, and children, among which are valuable plantation and house servants, also the stock of horses, black cattle, sheep, and hogs, with plantation utensils.

At same time will be exposed to sale, two thirds of that beautiful plantation, lying on the Mouth of South river, three miles from Annapolis, of about 800 acres in the whole, nearly half cleared, and of very good quality, producing fine tobacco, corn, wheat, rye, and oats, with some meadow in timothy, and more may be made at a small expence. Six months credit will be given to the purchasers of the land and negroes, on giving bond with approved security.

MARY THOMAS.

September 28, 1785.

On Friday the 7th of October, at four o'clock, will be sold, at Mr. George Mann's, for ready cash, or short credit,

A NUMBER of very likely and valuable young negroes of both sexes.

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Annapolis, October 4, 1785.

JUST IMPORTED, In the TERRY, captain DENNIS BUTLER, from London,

A GENERAL assortment of European and East-India goods, suitable to the season, which are now opening at our store opposite the Church-Yard, and are for sale wholesale and retail, on reasonable terms, for ready money, bills of exchange, or tobacco.

The Terry will take in tobacco to the address of James Trecothick, Esq; and Company, merchants, in London, at seven pounds sterling per ton.

CRACROFT and HODGKIN.

September 1, 1785.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a petition will be preferred to the next general assembly, to pass a law to empower the justices of Somerset county court, to extend the causeway through the marsh on the south side of Wicomico river, opposite the lower ferry, and to build a bridge across a small creek over which the road must pass, and also to build a wharf at the end of the said causeway.

Somerset, September 1, 1785.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a petition will be preferred to the next general assembly, to lay out a new road beginning at Samuel Smith's, on the road leading from Back creek to Stevens's ferry, thence through the swamp between the lands of Samuel Smith and William Miles, Nehemiah King and William Mitchell, David Wilson and Jesse King, till it intersects the road leading from Miles's mill up the Pocofin's.

Prince-George's county.

STRAYED or stolen from the subscriber, living near Nottingham, on Friday the 22d day of July, a sorrel MARE, with a long tail and mane, a natural trotter, about thirteen hands and a half high, galled on each shoulder by the collar, branded thus C E. Whoever brings the said mare to the subscriber, or secures her so that the owner may get her again, shall receive six dollars reward, and all reasonable charges paid by

CHARLES EVERSFIELD.

JUST IMPORTED,

In the ESSEX and SAMUEL, captain JAMES MITCHELL, from London, and will be sold by the subscriber, at his store near the Dock, on the lowest terms, for cash or good bills of exchange on London,

A LARGE assortment of GOODS suitable to the season, amongst which are a great choice of the following articles, viz.

Superfine and fine broad-clothes, forest ditto, cassimers, milled and double milled drabs, 6, 7 and 8 quarters coatings, drab kersey, Devonshire ditto, German serges, duffels, tearnoughts, Welch plains, knapped and plain cottons, half-thicks, flannels, baize, striped linseys, mixed trize, 8, 9 and 10 quarters blankets, match coat ditto, 7 and 8 quarters coverlets, 8, 9 and 10 quarters rugs, 7 8ths and yard wide Irish linens, Irish and sleek dowlas, 3, 4 and 5 quarters checks, table clothes, chintzes, calicoes, flannel cottons, corduroys, satin beavers, velverets, hair shags, silk and worsted hosiery, tammies, durants, camlets, blue and scarlet cardinals, jeans and lean twine, with a number of other goods not enumerated.

He likewise keeps all kinds of wet goods, which he sells, wholesale and retail, on the lowest terms, for cash.

JAMES MACKUBIN.

September 20, 1785.

JUST IMPORTED, In the ship ESSEX and SAMUEL, from London, and to be sold on the most reasonable terms by Ridgely and Evans, at their store near the head of the Dock, for cash, or good bills of exchange on London,

A N assortment of GOODS suitable to the season, among which are,

Superfine, second, and coarse broad clothes, double milled drab, Devonshire kerseys, Bath coatings, bearskins, hunters plains, German serges, green and blue frizes, duffels, halfthicks, pennilions, tearnought, negro cottons, flannels, linseys, green baize, ready made great coats and pea jackets, green, blue, and mottled rugs, rose and striped blankets, durants, tammies, figured stuffs, shalloons, camlets and camletees, silk and stuff quilted petticoats, cotton corduroys, velverets and thickets, womens and girls scarlet cardinals and cloaks, mens, boys, and womens thread, cotton, and worsted hose, mens milled yarn ditto and gloves, sailors caps, 7-8ths and yrd wide Irish linens, brown and white Irish and Russia sheetings, brown holland, housewife linens, 3 quarters and 7-8ths Irish and loomed dowlas, osabrigs, table clothes, diapers, 3 quarters and 7-8ths striped bedtickings, bed bunts, striped linens and cotton checks, womens, maids, and girls stays, mens and boys shoes, womens, maids, and girls stuff, Morocco, and black leather shoes and pumps, mens, youths, and boys fashionable hats, stationary, white and coloured threads, calicoes and chintzes, cambricks and lawns, black and white lace, rich black satin, fashionable plain lutestrings, modes, farcenets, persians, ribands, gauzes, sprig lawn, gauze and muslin aprons, gauze handkerchiefs, muslin, gloves and mits, powder and shot, mustard, pewter, jeans, lean and sail twine, 2 inch white rope, bed cords and leading lines, single refined loaf sugar, hyson tea, Anderson's pills, Stoungton's bitters, elegant brass pillar fire dogs, shovels and tongs, copper and newmake iron tea kettles, bell metal mortars and pestles, brass candlesticks, an assortment of cutlery, with various other articles not enumerated.

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Charles county, July 25, 1785.

NOTICE is hereby given, that there will be a petition preferred to the next general assembly of Maryland, for that useful Bridle-way, stopped up by Eleanor Boardman, to be opened.

Commissioner's-office of army accounts, Annapolis, September 28, 1785.

HAVING long since taken every measure in my power to inform the officers and soldiers of the Maryland line, who have not received their arrears from the United States, that I should close the office for adjusting their claims in this state the first day of October, I find many have neglected to apply. Attention to their interest alone induces me to prolong the period until the tenth day of next November, after which no consideration whatever will render it possible to take notice of their demands, as the papers will then be sent to the commissioner for settling with the army; near congress, and should this intimation be neglected, the subscriber will hold himself fully justified from any difficulty or expence that may be the consequence.

JOHN WHITE, commissioner.

Annapolis, September 27, 1785.

THE subscriber intends to petition the next general assembly to confirm and make valid a certain instrument of writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of his late father.

BEALE HAMMOND.

September 20, 1785.

NOTICE is hereby given, that we intend presenting a petition to the next general assembly of this state, to empower us to make sale of certain lands being in the counties of Washington, Frederick, Prince-George's, and Charles, the property of the heirs of Dr. Adam Thompson, deceased.

JOHN HAWKINS, LILBURN WILLIAMS.

August 20, 1785.

THE subscriber, confined in the common goal of Cecil county for debt, intends to petition the general assembly at their first sitting for his liberation.

PATRICK RHEA.

August 19, 1785.

THE subscriber, confined in the common goal of Cecil county for debt, intends to petition the general assembly at their first sitting for his liberation.

THOMAS MANUEL.

August 30, 1785.

THIS is to give notice, that I intend to apply to the next general assembly for such restitution of, or compensation for, my property, which has been sold as confiscated, as they in justice shall think reasonable.

JONATHAN HAGAR.

NOTICE is hereby given, that I intend to make application to the next session of the general assembly, for a law to remedy the defect in a lease from Josias Shaw, late of Prince-George's county, to me, for the plantation where the said Shaw did live, the said lease not having been acknowledged and recorded in due time.

JAMES WILSON.

Charles county, September 16, 1785.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a petition will be preferred to the general assembly at their next meeting, praying them to pass an act to alter the main road leading from Piles's warehouse to Allen's Fresh, the road as now laid out being impassable for carriages of any kind.

JAMES POOLE, SARAH FERGUSON.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscribers intend to petition the next general assembly to pass a law to give a title to a tract of land lying in Dorchester county, called Galloway's Fancy, unto James Poole.

JAMES POOLE, SARAH FERGUSON.

August 23, 1785.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a petition will be presented to the next general assembly for an act to enable the subscriber to reconvey, in the name of Lucretia Edmondson, part of a tract of land in Caroline county, called Smith's Discovery, to Michael Smith, of the same county.

DAVID KERR.

THE subscriber takes this method to inform all those that are indebted to him on open account to the end of the year 1784 or by note, to come and settle them.

He likewise would wish to inform his customers that he has at his store by wholesale, good Jamaica spirit, West-India and New-England rum, and the following articles by retail, Lisbon and Teneriffe wine, loaf and brown muscovado sugars, molasses, coffee chocolate, bohea tea, candles, soap, Liverpool and Lisbon salt, an assortment of earthen ware, and many other articles too tedious to mention.

ABSALOM RIDGELY.

To be rented, or leased for three years, A VALUABLE FARM, on the north side of Severn river, with a genteel house thereon, and all convenient out houses, &c. Possession will be given between this and Christmas. Application to be made to Richard Burland in Baltimore, or William Goldsmith in Annapolis.

THERE is at the plantation of William Holland Reynolds, in Calvert county, a negro man named JACK, who says he belongs to John Oliver, at the Warm Springs in Virginia; he is near six feet high, has a down look, and is pitted with the small-pox. This is to request the said Mr. Oliver, or any other person he belongs to, to take him away.

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